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St John Ambulance Medical Conference
The St John Ambulance medical conference 1973 will be held at Nottingham University from Friday evening 30 March until Sunday afternoon 1 April under the chairmanship of Professor Sir Hedley Atkins.

The theme of the conference is Transport, Trauma and Transition. Symposia will be presented by the Royal Air Force, under the chairmanship of Air Marshal Sir Ernest Sidey, Director General (R.A.F.) Medical Services, on the Saturday morning, and by the Birmingham Accident Hospital and Rehabilitation Centre in the afternoon.

The speakers on Sunday include Professor A. W. Woodruff and Sir Derrick Dunlop who will speak upon The use and abuse of drugs by the lay public.

Application forms may be obtained from St John Ambulance County Headquarters or from the Medical Conference Secretary, H.Q. St John Ambulance, 1 Grosvenor Crescent, London, S.W.1.

THE HEALTH CARE, SOCIAL NEEDS AND EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF CHILDREN

The Socialist Medical Association is holding a day seminar on this subject on Sunday 25 March from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at The Assembly Hall, Unity House, Euston Road, London, N.W.1.

It is intended to try to ascertain what is essential to ensure for children their right to enjoy good health, freedom from educational barriers, freedom from social and economic pressures and freedom to develop their talents without hindrance. A rapid survey will be made of the whole period of childhood from the first establishment of the family to the entry into adult working life; the normal child and his needs and the special needs of the handicapped and the socially disadvantaged will be considered.

Fee for the whole day £1.25. Further details, programme and booking form may be obtained from Mr T. C. Thomas, 54 Finchley Court, Ballards Lane, London N3 1NH.

THE MANAGEMENT OF ASTHMA

The Chest & Heart Association is holding a conference at The Bloomsbury Centre Hotel, Coram Street, London, W.C.1. on Thursday 7 June from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fee: £4.50 (including morning coffee, lunch and tea).

The clinical, social, welfare and rehabilitation aspects of asthma will be discussed by speakers and the conference will offer an opportunity for all those interested in the treatment and care of asthmatic patients to meet colleagues working in this field.

Registration forms and further details may be obtained from the Chest & Heart Association, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JE.

ILEOSTOMY ASSOCIATION

The annual general meeting of the London Division will take place at the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2. on Saturday 28 April, when Miss Sue Ryder will speak about the Sue Ryder Foundation. The meeting will be preceded by an informal reception from 2.00 p.m. on, when about twenty firms will display appliances and other aids for the care of ileostomy.

Further information may be obtained from the secretary, Mr T. W. Sturgeon, 29 Hulton Close, Boreham, Chelmsford, Essex CM3 3BU.

THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY NURSES

The first annual dinner of the Association of Community Nurses will be held on Saturday 7 April 1973 at the Mansion House, Reynolds Park, Woolton, Liverpool 25. Reception 7.30 p.m., dinner 8 p.m.

Tickets £3 each may be obtained from the treasurer, Mrs. K. Elson, 86a Penketh Road, Wallasey, Cheshire, to whom cheques and postal orders should be made payable.

BRITISH DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

The spring meeting of the Professional Services Section of the British Diabetic Association will be held at the University of Bath, Claverton Down, Bath, on Friday 27 April 1973. The morning session on Mini-clinics will be followed in the afternoon by Oral hypoglycaemic agents and a Research session.

The fee which includes lunch, coffee and tea, is £1.50 for members of the Professional Services Section, or 60p for afternoon session only; for non-members £2.00 or 85p.

Programmes and application forms may be obtained from the Secretary, Professional Services Section, British Diabetic Association, 3/6 Alfred Place, London, WC1E 7EE. Closing date for applications 18 April.